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COORDINATING COMMITTEE

RECORD OF DISCUSSION

ON

A DANISH PROPOSAL TO EXPORT QUARTZ CRYSTALS TO POLAND

December 17th, 1959

Present: Belgium (Luxembourg), Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, United Kingdom, United States.

References: COCOM Document No. 3807.

1. The CHAIRMAN drew the attention of the Committee to the Danish proposal to export 4927 quartz crystals to Poland. He invited Delegates to give the views of their authorities.
2. The UNITED STATES Delegate said that he had not yet received his instructions on this request. He undertook to inform the Danish Delegate and the Committee on his authorities' views as soon as possible.
3. The FRENCH Delegate said that his authorities thought the quantity involved was rather large. Furthermore this quantity was in addition to other exports of the same nature recently carried out by participating countries, including France, who had recently supplied quartz crystals intended for use on ambulances. Nevertheless, in view of the civilian use referred to in the Danish memorandum, the French authorities would raise no objection to the contemplated export.
4. The BELGIAN Delegate said that he had been instructed to associate himself with the majority of the Committee.
5. The UNITED KINGDOM Delegate said that his authorities had raised no objection to the Danish proposal although the quantities involved in the proposed export seemed to be on the high side.
6. The GERMAN Delegate said that the views of his authorities were the same as those of France and the United Kingdom. They assumed that the Danish authorities were satisfied that the quartz crystals would be put to civilian end-uses and they therefore raised no objection to this proposal.
7. There were no objections from the other Members of the Committee.
8. The DANISH Delegate expressed his thanks for the favourable replies which had been given. He confirmed that his authorities were satisfied that the quartz crystals would be used for civilian purposes and said that the Danish firm in question was very well known to his authorities and before the second world war had had an important trade in radio equipment with Poland.

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